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For: **UN-PACKAGED OR SEMI-PACKAGED ELECTRICALLY TESTED ELECTRONIC
DEVICE FREE FROM INFANTILE MORTALITY AND PROCESS FOR
MANUFACTURE THEREOF**

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants transmit herewith the following relating to the above-identified patent
application:

**Response to Written Restriction and Amendment
New Claims
Clean Version of Claims
Request for Extension of Time (1 month)
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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
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FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM					270	\$0.00
					TOTAL	\$ 0.00

Please charge any additional fees due in connection with this filing, such as fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, to our Deposit Account No. 02-4300.

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RESPONSE TO WRITTEN RESTRICTION AND AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

A response to the Office Action dated March 14, 2001 (Paper No. 11) was due by April 14, 2001. A Petition for Extension of Time (one month) is enclosed extending the date to May 14, 2001. Therefore, please accept this Amendment as timely filed.

Upon entry of this Amendment, claims 1-16 and newly added claims 17-20 are pending in this application. Claims 12-14 are withdrawn and claims 1-11, 15 and 16 are subject to restriction. The amendments to the claims are in response to the Restriction Requirement and serve to ensure that limitations which are applicable to each of the asserted species are examined should the species requirement be maintained. The amendments are fully supported throughout the specification and original claims. No new matter is incorporated by this amendment.

In response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2001 (Paper No.11), kindly amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Applicants have attached to this Amendment two documents entitled "CLEAN VERSION OF AMENDED CLAIMS" and "NEW CLAIMS." Please add new claims 17-20 as shown in the document entitled "NEW CLAIMS."

Please amend claim 8 as follows:

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8. (Thrice Amended) An electronic device according to claim [6]1, wherein said connection pins are distributed on all four side edges of the die.

REMARKS

In response to the Written Restriction Requirement of March 14, 2001, Applicants hereby elect the subject matter of the species wherein the pads are arranged along a central line on a side of the die and the pins are attached to the edges of the same side and the pins are obtained by cutting a continuous strip support. It is Applicant's belief that claim 1 is generic to the three asserted species and claims 1, 3, 7, 8-11 (following dependency change from 6 to 1), 15 and 16 and newly added claims 17-20 correspond to the elected species. New claims 17-20 have been

added to provide different claim combinations directed at the elected species, although, for the reasons set out below, the election is made with traverse.

This Restriction Requirement is respectfully traversed to the extent that it is not in compliance with M.P.E.P. § 803. M.P.E.P. § 803 states that one of the requirements for a restriction is that there must be a serious burden on the Examiner before a restriction is imposed. The present application has already received a First Office Action, including various rejections, wherein all of the asserted species were examined together. Since the Examiner has already searched all of the claims, including all of the asserted species, a serious burden is respectfully submitted not to exist. In addition, the Examiner has not given any reasons as to why the species should not be examined together. The M.P.E.P. § 803 also requires that the Examiner provide reasons and or examples to support conclusions with regards to Restriction Requirements. Therefore, reconsideration and withdrawal of the Restriction Requirement is respectfully requested.

Early and favorable action on the merits of this application is earnestly solicited.

If any additional fees are due in connection with the filing of this Response or the accompanying papers, such as fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 02-4300; Order No. 033655.002. If an additional extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 is necessary that is not accounted for in the papers filed herewith, such an extension is requested. The additional extension fee also should be charged to Deposit Account

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